



Memorials Advisory Commission

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 17, 2018

Second Floor Conference Room, City Hall, 715 Princess Anne Street,
Fredericksburg, VA

Commission Members Present: Nancy Moore, Michael Spencer, Jervis Hairston, Betty Massey, Tina Morris, Paula Raudenbush

Commission Members Absent: Susan Spears, John Lyles

Chair Nancy Moore called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Jervis Hairston moved to approve the minutes from the September 13, 2017, meeting. Betty Massey seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Update on city's effort to interpret the Slave Auction Block and African American History

Nancy Moore reported that the City Manager intends to hire the International Coalition of Sites of Conscience from New York to facilitate the conversation regarding the fate of the slave auction block on the corner of Charles and William Streets. Guest Kate Schwartz, the City Historic Resources Planner, noted that any photos/articles/anecdotes about the block are welcome and that there is potential grant money available from the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Michael Spencer said that UMW is anxious to record stories from the local Civil Rights history.

New Business

On-line submission form for Memorial Policy

Michael Spencer will send out a mock-up for input from the commission members.

Specification for maintenance of existing monuments

Guest Kate Schwartz requested input from the commission members regarding the maintenance of the monuments on Washington Avenue. If any member notices a need for any upkeep, we should let Michael Spencer know and he will pass it on to Ms. Schwartz within the next month. This is such things as a need for cleaning, repointing brick, polishing plaques, etc. It was mentioned that there is still a need to remove the bamboo growing behind the Caretaker's Cottage. Ms. Schwartz stated that a schematic of all the monuments and protocols for cleaning granite are being drawn up.

Ms. Schwartz also reported that the City is making progress on the Archaeology Ordinance Project. A map with predictive models where archaeology might be *most needed* is being created. There is a public hearing tonight.

Deadline for Wall of Honor nominees.

It was decided that May 30 is the deadline for the 2018 nominees.

2018 Meeting Schedule was announced:

April 18, 2018

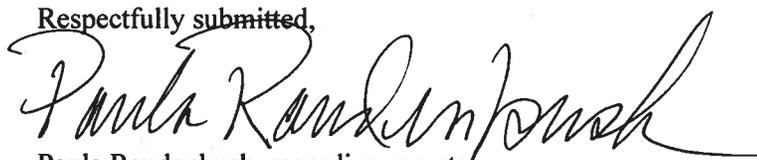
July 18, 2018

September 19, 2018

Next meeting date will be April 18, 2018

Meeting was adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Paula Raudenbush". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "P".

Paula Raudenbush, recording secretary